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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

[XXX] NO FEES ARE PAYABLE WITH RESPECT TO THIS RESPONSE.

In response to the official action mailed November 25, 2003, please enter the following before reconsideration of this application.

In the Claims:

Please enter new claim 31 and amend claims 21 and 22 as follows in which the claim additions are shown by underlining and/or the claim deletions are shown by strikeout. Please enter the amended claims into the record of this case.